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DECLARATION OF LAUREN TABAKSBLAT IN SUPPORT OF JOINT STIPULATION TO REQUEST (A) EXTENSION OF REMAINING BRIEFING SCHEDULE IN *FLEITES* ACTION AND (B) LIMITED COORDINATION FOR PURPOSES OF RESPONDING TO COMPLAINTS IN RELATED CASES

- I, Lauren Tabaksblat, declare and state as follows:
- 1. I am a partner with Brown Rudnick LLP and have been admitted *pro hac vice* to practice before this Court. I am counsel for Plaintiff K.A. in the above referenced matter, Plaintiff Serena Fleites in *Fleites v. MindGeek S.a.r.l. et al.*, Case No. 21-cv-04920-WLH-ADS) ("*Fleites* Action"), and Plaintiffs in the Related Actions identified below. I submit this declaration in support of the Parties' Joint Stipulation to Request (a) Extension of Remaining Briefing Schedule in *Fleites* Action and (b) Limited Coordination for Purposes of Responding to Complaints in Related Cases.
- 2. On May 23, 2024, Plaintiff Serena Fleites filed both a Motion to Amend the Caption and a Second Amended Complaint (the "SAC"), which identifies Colbeck and Redwood as new defendants (ECF Nos. 384, 385, *Fleites v. MindGeek S.a.r.l. et al.*, Case No. 21-cv-04920-WLH-ADS).
- 3. Between June 7, 2024 and August 20, 2024, Plaintiff's counsel Brown Rudnick LLP filed the following fourteen (14) additional actions against the same Defendants in the United States District Court for the Central District of California, including the above referenced matter, each of which has been designated as "related" and assigned to the Honorable Wesley L. Hsu (the "Related Actions"):
  - K.A. v. MindGeek S.A.R.L. et al., 24-cv-04786;
  - N.L. v. MindGeek S.A.R.L. et al., 24-cv-04788;
  - T.C. v. MindGeek S.A.R.L. et al., 24-cv-04795;
  - X.N. v. MindGeek S.A.R.L. et al., 24-cv-04800;
  - N.Y. v. MindGeek S.A.R.L. et al., 24-cv-04801;
  - L.T. v. MindGeek S.A.R.L. et al., 24-cv-04791;
  - J.C. v. MindGeek S.A.R.L. et al., 24-cv-04971;
  - W.L. v. MindGeek S.A.R.L. et al., 24-cv-04977;
  - C.S. v. MindGeek S.A.R.L. et al., 24-cv-04992;

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1	• S.O. v. MindGeek S.A.R.L. et al., 24-cv-04998;	
2	• L.S. v. MindGeek S.A.R.L. et al., 24-cv-05026;	
3	• W.P. v. MindGeek S.A.R.L. et al., 24-cv-05185;	
4	• A.K. v. MindGeek S.A.R.L. et al., 24-cv-05190; and	
5	• J.L. v. MindGeek	S.A.R.L., et al., 24-cv-07046.
6	4. On July 24, 2024, the Parties in the <i>Fleites</i> Action filed a Joint Stipulation	
7	Re Briefing Schedule for Defendants' Responses to Plaintiff's Second Amended	
8	Complaint, which set August 30, 2024 as Defendants' deadline to respond to the SAC	
9	("July 24 Joint Stipulation") (ECF No. 419, Fleites v. MindGeek S.a.r.l. et al., Case	
10	No. 21-cv-04920-WLH-ADS).	
11	5. On August 2, 2	024, the Court granted the Parties' July 24 Joint
12	Stipulation, and approved the following briefing schedule relating to the SAC (ECF	
13	No. 424, Fleites v. MindGeek S.a.r.l. et al., Case No. 21-cv-04920-WLH-ADS):	
14	August 30, 2024:	Each Defendant's Deadline to Answer, Move, or
15		Otherwise Respond to the SAC;
16	October 15, 2024:	Plaintiff's Deadline to Respond to Each Defendant's
17		Answer, Motion, or Response (if and as applicable);
18	November 5, 2024:	Each Defendant's Deadline to File Replies (if and as
19		applicable);
20	<b>November 22, 2024:</b>	Proposed Hearing on Each Defendant's Answer,
21		Motion or Response (if and as applicable);
22	6. In 13 of the 14 Rel	ated Actions, the Court entered an Order Granting Joint
23	Stipulation Re Briefing Sche	edule for Defendants' Motions to Dismiss that set
24	October 15, 2024 as Defendants' deadline to answer, move, or otherwise respond to	
25	each complaint, and set January 10, 2025 as the hearing date for motions filed in	
26	response to each complaint. The case styled J.L. v. MindGeek S.à.r.l. et al., Case No.	
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- In all 14 Related Actions, the Court later entered an Order Granting the 7. Parties' October 4, 2024 Joint Stipulation to Request Limited Coordination for Purposes of Responding to Complaints in Related Cases that extended the previous schedule and (a) set October 21, 2024 as Defendants' deadline to answer, move, or otherwise respond to each complaint; (b) in each of the Related Actions, allowed each defense counsel to file a single omnibus motion to dismiss for the parties that they each represent which may incorporate by reference the arguments made in the parties' motions to dismiss filed in the Fleites Action; (c) allowed Plaintiffs' counsel to file a single omnibus opposition to the collective motions to dismiss filed by Defendants in the Related Actions, which may incorporate by reference the arguments made by the Parties in the motion to dismiss briefing in the *Fleites* Action; (d) allowed each defense counsel to file one omnibus reply to each motion to dismiss filed in the Related Actions; (e) set January 10, 2025 as the hearing date for the motions filed in each case; (f) increased the page limit for each omnibus motion to dismiss to 50 pages and each omnibus reply to 35 pages; and (g) increased the page limit for Plaintiffs' omnibus opposition to 85 pages.
- 8. On October 7, 2024, the Parties in the *Fleites* Action filed a Joint Stipulation to Request Extension of Remaining Briefing Schedule for Defendants' Responses to Plaintiff's Second Amended Complaint, which set October 21, 2024 as Plaintiff's deadline to file a single omnibus opposition to the collective motions to dismiss filed by Defendants, increased the page limit for Plaintiff's opposition to 85 pages, and increased the page limit for each Defendant's reply to 20 pages ("October 7 Joint Stipulation") (ECF No. 472, *Fleites v. MindGeek S.a.r.l. et al.*, Case No. 21-cv-04920-WLH-ADS);

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9. On October 11, 2024, the Court granted the Parties' October 7 Joint Stipulation, and approved the following briefing schedule relating to the SAC (ECF No. 473, *Fleites v. MindGeek S.a.r.l. et al.*, Case No. 21-cv-04920-WLH-ADS):

October 21, 2024: Plaintiff's Deadline to Respond to Each Defendant's Answer, Motion, or Response (if and as applicable);

**November 8, 2024:** Each Defendant's Deadline to File Replies (if and as applicable);

January 10, 2024: Hearing on Each Defendant's Answer, Motion or Response (if and as applicable).

10. Given the length and complexity of the SAC in the *Fleites* Action and the complaints in the Related Actions, and the number of motions to dismiss, and in the interest of judicial economy, efficient case management, conservation of resources of the over 30 parties involved in the Related Actions, and coordination with the briefing schedules in the *Fleites* Action and the Related Actions, good cause exists to extend the current briefing schedule and (a) in the *Fleites* Action, set October 30, 2024 as the deadline for Plaintiff to file a single omnibus opposition responding to the motions to dismiss filed by Defendants; (b) in the *Fleites* Action, set December 6, 2024 as the deadline for each Defendant to file a reply; (c) in the Related Actions, set October 30, 2024 as the deadline for each of the Defendants to answer, move, or otherwise respond to the complaints; (d) in the Related Actions, set December 12, 2024 as the deadline for Plaintiffs to file a single omnibus opposition responding to the motions to dismiss filed by Defendants; and (e) in the Related Actions, set January 8, 2025 as the deadline for each Defendant to file an omnibus reply.

11. Accordingly, the Parties now respectfully request that the Court grant this stipulation and enter the following schedule:

1 2 Fleites Action October 30, 2024: 3 Plaintiff's Deadline to Respond to Each Defendant's Answer, Motion, or Response (if and as applicable); 4 Each Defendant's Deadline to File Replies (if and as 5 **December 6, 2024:** applicable); 6 Proposed Hearing on Each Defendant's Answer, 7 **January 31, 2025:** 8 Motion or Response (if and as applicable). 9 **Related Actions** 10 11 October 30, 2024: Each Defendant's Deadline to Answer, Move, or Otherwise Respond to the Complaints (if and as 12 13 applicable); 14 **December 12, 2024:** Plaintiff's Deadline to Respond to Each Defendant's 15 Answer, Motion, or Response (if and as applicable); Each Defendant's Deadline to File Replies (if and as **January 8, 2025:** 16 applicable); 17 Proposed Hearing on Each Defendant's Answer, 18 **January 31, 2025:** 19 Motion or Response (if and as applicable). The undersigned respectfully submits given the length and complexity of 20 12. the SAC in the Fleites Action and the complaints in the Related Actions, and the 21 number of motions to dismiss, and in the interest of judicial economy, efficient case 22 management, conservation of resources of the over 30 parties involved, and 23 24 coordination with the briefing schedules in the *Fleites* Action and the Related Actions, good cause exists for the entry of this stipulation. 25 26 27 28

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** I, the undersigned counsel of record for Plaintiff Serena Fleites, certify that the foregoing instrument was served pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure on October 18, 2024 upon all counsel of record via ECF. Dated: October 18, 2024 **BROWN RUDNICK LLP** /s/ Lauren Tabaksblat Lauren Tabaksblat Attorney for Plaintiff Serena Fleites